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RE: Response to the OSHPD Risk-Adjusted Outcomes Study Results

Dear Dr. Werdegar:

Thank you for this opportunity to review and respond to Santa Clara Valley Medical Center's (SCVMC) outcome study results for mortality following an acute myocardial infarction (AMI). We acknowledge the need and importance of assessing the effectiveness of health care systems and are in general agreement with our risk adjusted outcomes for OSHPD's third report.

We look forward to collaborating with you in future outcome studies.

Sincerely,



Robert Sillen
Executive Director

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